

CONCERT IS VOTED A BIG SUCCESS

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RECITAL AT FRIENDS

Initial Commencement Event
at Fairmount.

The commencement concert given by the high school chorus and orchestra at the Toler Auditorium last night was one of the grandest successes of the season. Both the gallery and the parquetry were crowded to their fullest capacity and every number of the elaborate program received many greetings of applause.

Miss Jessie L. Clark, as the musical director, conducted the multitude of voices excellently and Miss Hortense Imboden, as accompanist, was as usual the proper person in the proper place. To Miss Clark is due much praise for her tireless efforts in training the young people who took part in the exercises and the success of the occasion is rightfully to be placed to her credit. Her ability as a musical director is not to be questioned in any respect. And to Miss Hortense Imboden belongs the compliments of the audience for her splendid accompaniment throughout the program. Without Miss Imboden the affair would have seemed as though there was a missing link. As a pianist she is an ideal.

The program was thorough and complete. Every number was applauded and several were encored as many as three times.

The high school chorus with its many voices did fine work. The young men and women constituting the chorus were seated on the stage on inclined seats and every face could be distinctly seen by the listeners. The young ladies were neatly attired and the young men, part of whom were seated on either side of the ladies, appeared in their best suits.

"Hark, Apollo Strikes the Lyre" was the first number sung by the chorus. The orchestra followed with "Palmetto—Serenade Mexicana," which was successfully and satisfactorily rendered.

"The boys' glee club next sang, 'The Chase.' This was applauded continuously until two encores were called for. It seemed that the audience never grew tired of the boys' glee club, which proves their superiority and talent.

The high school chorus sang "The Revel of the Leaves" next which was a magnificent number. Following this the glee club sang "The Mill." This was given tremendous applause and the young ladies were encored.

"A Moonlight Boat Ride" by the entire chorus was the next number and proved highly pleasing to the audience.

"Orizaba—Intermezzo" was played by the orchestra and the crowd sang an encore, by applauding for several minutes, to have an encore, but none was given. The orchestra is a wonderful little band of musicians.

"Tripping Over the Hill" by the chorus was entertaining and received much cheering. The girls' glee club next sang "A Little Bird Barked at the Big Round Moon" and the audience went wild with applause. The young ladies are all sweet singers.

"La Soiree," waltz, by the orchestra, was one of the best numbers given by the young musicians. It was during this part of the program that the audience was almost dumfounded to see a large Juniper flag come slowly down over the stage. Everybody laughed and the act was looked upon as a practical joke.

Immediately following this the boys' glee club sang, "A New Medley." They were encored two times. At this juncture a very inappropriate catastrophe took place, when a crowd of young men, presumably juniors, who were gathered together in the rear of the building, attempted to applaud until the Glee club would give another selection. However, their applause was carried too far, and Miss Florence Cullen and chorus, who were asked to sing a selection by request, made their appearance. Still the clapping of hands continued. Miss Clark, seeing that they would not stop, ordered the curtain down.

At last order was gotten, and Miss Cullen and chorus sang their selection. Miss Cullen is a very sweet singer and, with the chorus, the number was highly enjoyable. Following this very embarrassing event the closing number of the program was given. This was "The Miller's Wedding" by the entire chorus.

Throughout the exercises were what any musical criterion would call a splendid success. The high school chorus did themselves a proud honor and one of which they should feel elated.

The closing scenes of the high school commencement exercises have been delightful and the large crowds that have been in attendance in the face of disagreeable weather at times cannot but say good words for the occasion. The graduating class has had a wonderful commencement, and those who are to follow enjoyed it equally as much.

Recital at Fairmount
A crowded house greeted the performers in the initial commencement event at Fairmount last night. The chapel was filled to its utmost capacity. The program was a musical recital by students of the Fairmount College School of Music. Every number disclosed thorough preparation and received the continuous and enthusiastic attention of the audience.

This is only the first of a number of musical and intellectual programs which the "college out on the hill" is offering to the Wichita public. The large and enthusiastic audience present at last night's performance is a good index of the popularity of these exercises.

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rouched arranged a fifteen-minute car service for each evening of the week with an "extra" car at the conclusion of program.

This evening promptly at 8 o'clock the seniors will give their class-day program, and as usual it will be the humorous number in the series. It is in the nature of a play and is entitled "The Shakespeare Water Cure."

Commencement events still to come are as follows:

SATURDAY, MAY 28.
8:00 p. m.—Class day exercises, college chapel.

SUNDAY, MAY 29.
8:00 p. m.—Baccalaureate sermon by Dr. Rockwell H. Potter, of Plymouth church, Hartford, Conn.

MONDAY, MAY 30.
8:00 p. m.—Graduating exercises of academic department, college chapel.

TUESDAY, MAY 31.
4:00 p. m.—Annual meeting of the board of trustees, college office.

3:00 p. m.—Baseball game, college athletic field.

8:00 p. m.—Address before the literary societies by Dr. James W. Bixler, New London, Conn., college chapel. Subject: "The Scholarly Spirit."

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 1.
10:00 a. m.—Sixth annual commencement, college chapel.

5:00 p. m.—Alumnae reunion and banquet.

8:00 p. m.—Faculty reception.

The recital by students of the Fairmount College school of music was a splendid showing of what can be accomplished in one school year in a properly organized and efficiently directed school of music.

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and the real claims of a school can only be maintained by showing the results attained. The high standard of the Fairmount College school of music long since came to be universally recognized by those able to judge, through the beautiful and entertaining recitals given both by the faculty and students during the past season so frequently. That they are very popular has been amply demonstrated by the large audience that invariably crowd the fine, new chapel every time a recital is announced by the school of music.

The last recital of the season was, of course, expected to be the finest, as the culmination of the year's work, but it surpassed the expectations of even the most enthusiastic, showing almost marvellous advancement on the part of some of the students, and of the department as a whole. And in variety, the program was exceedingly attractive, and unlike most student affairs, because of the artistic finish conspicuous in every number.

The vocal department was represented by seven numbers, the piano department by six numbers, and the violin department by one. Director Ellenberger and his associates, Miss Hammer and Mr. Just, are certainly to be congratulated upon their accomplishments with the department.

The opening number was Dudley Buck's famous "Palmetto" hymn, sung by the Choral society, directed by Prof. Ellenberger, and accompanied by Miss Stanley. In attack, phrasing, shading and unity of movement, the work of the Choral society was admirable. To mention the many splendid features of each number of the program, would extend this criticism unduly, but it is but just to the piano students to say that the finish and refinement in every number was very marked.

Miss Lee's interpretation of "Palmetto" was beautiful, as was also Miss Polly's interpretation of Durand's "Valse Impromptu." Stavenhagen's "Capriccio" was dainty and delicate, as played by Miss Ricker, and the quartet number by Miss Ricker, lovely in its poetic dreaminess. Gounod's "Tell Me, Beautiful Maiden," was exquisitely sung by Miss Milton, whose voice has developed wonderfully, while her interpretative powers have equally matured since she was first heard in a winter recital.

The two young men who sang were Mr. Taylor and Mr. Hyde, the former singing Barlett's lovely "A Dream," and the latter Jensen's "Rock of Ages." Both voices show very decided development in breadth and warmth of tone, and both are very vibrant and rich in tone color.

One of the most brilliant and beautiful of the vocal numbers was the duet, "Maying," by Miss Milton and Mr. Taylor. The voices blended thoroughly and the interpretation of the song was a delight to the large audience. A very marked feature of the recital was the ensemble work, both the piano and the vocal department presenting numbers of this class. The quartet for two pianos, "Overleaves," by Miss Milton and Mr. Taylor, was excellently rendered by Misses Polly Lee, Milton and Ricker, the brilliancy and dash being faithfully portrayed.

Mohr's "Rondo Brillante" as played by Miss Imboden, with orchestral accompaniment on second piano, was quite a formidable undertaking, which was finely carried out.

The first part of the program ended with Hawley's lovely ballad, "Sweet and Low," a four-part song for women's voices, full of difficult passages, and sung by the Fairmount College Women's Glee club. This famous organization is almost too well known to need comment, but the delicate and true rendition, the refinement of tone work, and the unity of movement and precision of attack all combined in surpassing anything of the kind ever before heard in Wichita, even excelling the splendid work which the club has already done. Many hearers compare it with the famous Apollo club which is also under the direction of Professor Ellenberger, who has developed both clubs to such a marvelous degree of perfection.

The program ended with "Home, Sweet Home," by the popular Fairmount College Men's Glee club. The sweet, familiar song was greatly enjoyed by the audience. This club was only organized this season, and has made exceptionally rapid progress, showing good, solid, accurate tone work, fine attack and shading. There is something in the men's voices which appeals strongly to the average audience, and this particular club has won a very warm spot in the hearts of the students. Under the continued training of Professor Ellenberger, who

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FRIENDS WIN FIRST GAME OF SERIES

Fairmount Defeated by a Score
of 5 to 1.

QUAKERS BUNCHED HITS

Five Hundred Present at Opening Match.

Five hundred people saw Fairmount College go down to defeat before Friends University in a baseball game played yesterday afternoon on Hoes athletic field. The closing score was 5 to 1 in favor of Friends.

So far as the actual playing of each member of the two teams is concerned, the opposing clubs were about evenly matched. Both got a like number of hits, four—Friends' victory is due, undoubtedly, to the players' ability to bunch their hits at opportune times. Although the game was not so good, there being eight errors made, as others seen here this season, those present were well satisfied with the contest. Threatening weather kept many away who would otherwise have attended. The next of the series of three games between the two schools will be played Monday afternoon, commencing at 2:30 o'clock, on Hoes field. The third and last game will be played Tuesday afternoon at Fairmount. Yesterday's game by plays was as follows:

Fairmount batted first. Solter was retired on three strikes. Finger hit a fly to short and was put out at first. Bates knocked a long drive to right field, which looked safe, but was gathered in by Loomis after a long run.

Friends turned at bat. McCully tried with a fly to right field, but was caught out at first. Barton and Davis fanned.

Rich, for Friends, walked and Loomis struck out. Jones was given first and Thompson made that base through an error on Davis. Boone got a safe hit and scored Jones and Davis. Jeffries closed the inning by fanning.

McCullage, for Fairmount, was put out at first. Brown struck out. Smith got to first on an error made by Rich. Smith stole second on another error by Rich. Solter got a one base hit when Finger fanned, leaving Solter on second and Smith on third.

Friends went to bat. McCully knocked a grounder and was put out at first. Davis bunted and was put out. McCully went out through being hit by a fair ball.

Bates, for Fairmount, struck out. Barker got a one-base hit, followed by another from Barton. Davis flew out by a short fly to the in-field. McCullage bunted and was put out at first.

Friends batted. Rich was put out on a fly to first. Loomis and Jones were put out in one, two and three order.

Brown, Smith and Solter, for Fairmount, tried to get to first on short hits, but were all three retired.

Thompson, for Friends, for a one-base hit, but was put out while trying to steal second. Boone walked and Jeffries was put out on a sacrifice hit. McCully got to first on an error, but was caught while trying to steal second.

Finger, for Fairmount, was put out by a fly to the in-field. Bates got to first by being hit by a pitched ball. Barker struck out and Barton was retired at first.

At Friends' turn to bat Davis went out at first. McGill was retired on a fly and Rich struck out.

Davis, for Fairmount, flew out on a fly. McCullage reached first on a wild throw to Rich. Brown fouled out. McCullage got to second on a passed ball at home and scored on a safe hit made by Smith.

The latter was retired while trying to steal second.

Loomis, for Friends, struck out. Jones was retired on a fly and Thompson was sent back at first.

Solter and Finger, for Fairmount, were put out on short hits, and Bates fanned.

Friends at bat. Boone was retired on a short hit and Jeffries was put out. McCully got to first on an error and Davis got a hit. McGill hit a safe one and scored McCully and Davis, but went out trying to steal second.

Fairmount at bat. Barker walked. Barker sacrificed, followed by another from Davis. McCullage flew out with a fly to Thompson.

Summary of the game: Struck out by McGill, 8; by Smith, 8. Errors for Friends, 4; for Fairmount, 4. Bases hit McGill, 1; off Smith, 2. Earned runs for Friends, 1; for Fairmount, none. Umpire, Meredith.

Score by innings:
Fairmount.....0 0 0 0 0 1 0 0-1
Friends.....0 2 0 0 1 0 0 2-5
Batteries: Smith and Brown; McGill and McCully.

DIVORCE AND ALIMONY
Matilda Van Alstine Seeks Separation From Frank S. Van Alstine

Matilda Van Alstine filed a suit for divorce and alimony in the district court yesterday against Frank S. Van Alstine. She alleges extreme cruelty.

According to the petition she and the

defendant were married in Reno county December 14, 1898, since which time they have lived together as husband and wife. The plaintiff stated that for the past year the defendant has been guilty of extreme cruelty toward her and at various times has used cruel and abusive language when speaking to her, which makes it impossible for them to live together in peace and harmony, by which reason she declared that her health has become greatly impaired.

She stated that the defendant is the owner of about \$6,000 worth of personal property and also a quarter section of land in Reno county. She asked for a divorce, the restoration of her maiden name of Matilda Pearson, and a division of the property. She also declared that she was afraid the defendant would attempt to dispose of some of the property, and asked the court to issue a restraining order.

An order was issued by the court restraining the defendant from disposing of the property and also compelling him to pay \$25 attorney fees for the plaintiff's preparation and trial of the case, to de-

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